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TOPIC Military Information from Neustrelitz

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REFERENCES

PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

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1. Prior to 24 July, the Neue Infanterie Kaserne in Neustrelitz (N 54/U 54) was occupied by about 2,500 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank and artillery insignia. About 350 soldiers departed in the direction of Berlin on 23 July. (1) Two T-34 tanks were seen leaving the installation in the direction of Kratzeburg. On 24 July, T-34 tanks proceeded to the area of Steinwalde for a firing practice. Motor vehicles were seen entering and leaving the installation.

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2. The Glanbecker See restricted area was still occupied by about 200 soldiers as previously. a division headquarters was located there. (2) The restricted area on Fritz Reuter Strasse was occupied by about 200 soldiers on 23 July. They wore red-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia. On 23 July, the Alte Grenadier Kaserne was occupied by between 400 and 500 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. Twelve 120-mm mortars were seen. The restricted area on Gerhart Hauptmann Strasse was occupied by 200 soldiers on 23 July. They wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. Eight 122-mm field howitzers were seen. troops were engaged in an exercise wearing gas masks in an area where a smoke screen was laid. Motor vehicles seen at the installation. On 23 July, buildings in the Tiergarten restricted area were again occupied by about 50 soldiers wearing black-bordered crimson epaulets. (3) A train carrying 40 to 50 old trucks stood at the Neustrelitz railroad station on 24 July. (4)

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Comments.

- (1) The soldiers could have been discharged or going on furlough or going to an instruction course.
- (2) This information confirms the division headquarters located in the Glanbecker See restricted area until 24 July.
- (3) in late May the Tiergarten restricted area was vacant and, on 28 June, the buildings in the restricted area were occupied by civilians. The alleged reoccupation by Soviets requires confirmation.
- (4) The information indicates no changes in the occupation of the installations in Neustrelitz since a previous report on 15 July. The Infanterie Kaserne seems to quarter a smaller number of troops, possibly as a result of the temporary transfer to the Landesirronanstalt on the Domivch Lake of units previously stationed in Neustrelitz.

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